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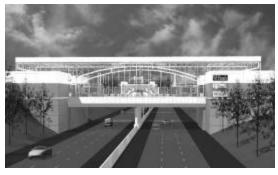
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Hinsdale Oasis Closed for Redevelopment

The over-the-road restaurant building at the Hinsdale Oasis on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) closed for business on Monday, September 15, 2003. The oasis building is being reconstructed from the bridge deck up as part of a \$94 million, 25-year lease agreement between the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority and Wilton Partners/ExxonMobil. Upon completion, visitors to the Hinsdale Oasis will find brand new facilities with new and improved tenants and travel amenities including a wider range of nationally known restaurants and retailers.



McDonald's will provide restaurant services and additional national brand retailers will be available to pro-



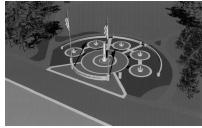
vide Tollway customers with a wider selection of food and beverages. Those expressing interest thus far include Starbucks, Krispy Kreme. Fifth Third Bank and Travel Mart.

The over-the-road restaurant building will be reconstructed from the bridge up, and construction is expected to take 12 months to complete. Reconstruction of the fuel stations is scheduled to begin in April 2004, and is expected to take 120 days to complete. Customers will be able to access up-to-date information on the facilities available at each oasis during the reconstruction by logging onto the Tollway Web site at www.illinoistollway.com and clicking on the "Oases" section.

Fundraising Begins for Veteran's Memorial

After more than two years of work by the Veteran's Memorial Committee, a design for the Burr Ridge Veterans Memorial has been approved. Featuring an 8-foot granite pillar centered between two American flags, the design pays tribute to each branch of service. The Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines and Navy will be represented by five smaller polished granite pillars. The memorial will be located at Purdie McCullough Park, at the corner of Plainfield and County Line Roads, thanks to a generous donation from the Burr Ridge Park District.

Chairman Corporal Timothy Vaclav of the Burr



Ridge Police Department estimates that it will cost approximately \$270,000 to construct the Memorial. The Village Board kicked-off the fund-raising efforts by donating \$2,500 and agreeing to maintain the Memorial. The Committee will sell engraved paver bricks that feature the name, rank, branch and service dates of veterans. Prices have yet to be determined.

The Burr Ridge/Willowbrook Rotary Club is sponsoring an "October Fest" on October 24th from 5 - 9 PM at the Burr Ridge Ramada Inn. Tickets cost \$10 each and can be purchased by calling 325-2900. Donations will also be accepted at Village Hall. Anyone interested in making a donation can call Corporal Vaclav at 654-8181 ext. 309 or send a check, payable to the Village of Burr Ridge with "Veteran's Memorial" on the memo line, to Burr Ridge Veteran's Memorial, PMB #132, 80 Burr Ridge Parkway, Burr Ridge, Illinois 60527. Visit www.burr-ridge.gov for more information.

Public Works in Brief

Right of Way or Utility Easement?

Village staff often receives questions about public rights-of-way and utility easements. The right-of-way is property owned by the Village and generally includes the road and 16 feet from the back of the curb or edge of pavement. Located within the right-of-way are public streets, sidewalks, drainage facilities, utilities and parkway trees. The 16' section of the right-of-way between your property and the edge of pavement is called the parkway. Parkways appear to be part of your yard but are actually part of the Village right-of-way. Nothing should be planted or built within the parkway unless approved by the Village. Each property owner is expected to mow and maintain their section of the parkway. A utility easement, on the other hand, is on your property and lonely utilities are located within it. Utility easements give the Village and other utility companies the right to use that portion of your property to provide service to your home and others. Some homeowners place plantings or other items in these easements, however, this is discouraged. Utility companies or the Village may have to remove those items to perform work in the easement and are not required to replace them.

Tree Program



The 24th Annual Tree Program is underway and orders are now being accepted. Trees purchased through the Suburban Tree Consortium (STC) are offered to residents at a lower price than what nurseries typically charge. This year, tree varieties include the White Ash,

Norwegian Sunset Maple, Locust, Norway Maple and Little Leaf Linden. Please remember that there is no guarantee that accompanies these trees and mortality within the Consortium has been approximately 1% in recent years. The deadline for ordering is **October 10, 2003.** Please see the enclosed order form for information on prices, payment and delivery.

Brush Chipping Program Begins

The sixth annual fall residential brush chipping program will begin Monday October 27th, and will continue for two weeks in accordance with the schedule noted below. Branches must NOT be placed in the parkway until three weekends before the chipping program begins for your area. Branches must be in the parkway by NO LATER THAN 7:00 a.m. on the first day of pickup for your area.

North of 79th St. begins Monday, October 27th South of 79th St. begins Monday, November 3rd

Program requirements are as follows:

- Brush chipping at each property will be limited to two hours. There will be a \$50 per hour charge where chipping takes more than 2 hours. A branch pile not exceeding 200 feet long, 12 feet wide and 5 feet high (or 12,000 feet in cubic size) can be chipped in two hours.
- Only branches will be accepted. Branches must not exceed 4 inches in diameter.
- Branches must be stacked neatly on the parkway with all stem/butt ends toward the street.
- Branches must not be tied with string, wire, etc. Branches must be free of wire, staples, nails or metal of any kind.
- No branches removed by contractors will be accepted. The program is intended to assist residents who perform their own work.

The Village has discontinued its program of delivering free truckloads of chips. Small quantities of the wood chips can be picked up at the Public Works Facility at 451 Commerce Street. Please bring your own containers.

Police Briefs

Roadside Safety Checks: The Burr Ridge Police Department sponsored a roadside safety check on Route 83 at Honeysuckle on Friday, September 12. This initiative was undertaken as part of the Police Department's safety program, intended to increase residents' awareness of the important role they play in keeping our streets safe. With assistance from the Illinois State Police and the Village of Willowbrook Police Department, officers checked for compliance with all traffic laws, including seatbelt and child safety seat use, and wrote citations where appropriate.

<u>Vacation Watch</u>: Going out of town? Take advantage of the Police Department's Vacation House Watch Program. Officers are alerted to pay special attention when on patrol in your neighborhood. Contact the Department at 323-8181 to register. You will be asked to provide information on those who have keys, lights on timers, cars to be left in the drive, emergency contacts, etc.

<u>Alarm Systems Must be Registered</u>: If you are considering an alarm system for your home or business, or if you already have one and are switching alarm services, your system must be registered. Registration of all alarm systems is very important to Police Department emergency planning. There is no fee for the alarm permit.

Phone Solicitors: Just a few simple questions can ensure that you know where your funds are going when you are contacted by telephone solicitors. Ask the exact name and address of the organization and the name of the phone solicitor. Ask if the caller is a paid telephone solicitor and what percentage of a donation benefits the organization. If the solicitor indicates that donations will benefit the local police or fire department, ask what their connection is to the Village of Burr Ridge or the Fire District that serves you.

News in Brief

Environmental Quality Commission Sponsors Annual Essay Contest



The Environmental Quality Commission is once again hosting the annual Essay Contest for students in 3rd to 12th grade. Students should visit the Community Events page on the Village of Burr Ridge web site (www.burr-ridge.gov) for this year's contest topics. Con-

test information has also been distributed to area schools. Entries must be submitted by February 14th, 2004 to the Environmental Quality Commission/Essay Contest at the Burr Ridge Village Hall, located at 7660 South County Line Road. Winners will be announced and recognized in a special ceremony this spring. For more information contact Lisa Ensing at 654-8181, extension 105.

Visit us on the web @ www.burr-ridge.gov

Corporate Park Development Incentives Approved

With the fate of the Corporate Park T.I.F. District decided, the Village has actively pursued other economic development incentives to accomplish several things: help restart the hotel project, convince developers to construct a proposed 44,058 square foot office development and attract future development to full the remaining space in the Corporate Park.

The proposed T.I.F. District was established to attract development in the vacant portion of the Corporate Park, where commercial property taxes are two to three times higher than in neighboring DuPage County. However, the T.I.F. has been dissolved as a result of successful legal action taken by School District 107. As a result, the Village pursued the Cook County Class 7B Tax Abatement Program which would reduce the level of assessment over a 12-year period. The 7B program was proposed for the office development on the Stahelin property, but due to School District concerns, the Village will not pursue the tax incentive program for this project.

Instead, the Village has agreed to provide a project with a 30% property tax abatement for 12 years and District 204 will provide the same for 10 years. The Village has also agreed to provide a property tax abatement and sales tax rebate incentive package to the proposed hotel development. This package will amount to \$500,000 over a 15-year period from the Village and \$400,000 over 10 years from School District 204. School District 107 will not provide any incentives.

Whether these incentives will be sufficient for developers to proceed with their projects is yet to be seen. Negotiations with other taxing bodies are anticipated in an effort to effectively market the property and attract future development.

Know the Code

<u>Leash Laws</u>: Please be reminded that it is unlawful to permit your dog or cat to run at large in the Village. In addition, dogs and cats are not permitted in any public park, even if they are leashed. If you walk your dog or cat on public property or property owned by someone else, you must carry a device to pick up after your pet.

<u>Trick or Treating</u>: Residents are reminded that children may only trick-or-treat on Friday, October 31st until 9:00 p.m. Homeowners are encouraged to leave a front light on so children will know that they are welcome to visit. Make sure you instruct your children to follow safety rules when crossing or walking along the edge of streets where there are no sidewalks or street lights.

Make Your Address Visible: Emergency vehicles rely on addresses to respond to calls for service. Their response can be slowed if they cannot locate an address. Be sure your address is displayed in a position easily observable from the street. The Village has adopted by reference and has the authority to enforce the BOCA (Building Officials, Code Administrators) National Property Maintenance Code. The Code requires that any structure to which a street number has been assigned must have the number displayed in Arabic numerals at least 3 inches high and ½ inch stroke.

Volunteers Needed

Residents who are interested in volunteering and who would like to be considered for possible appointment to one of the Village advisory boards, committees and commissions are being sought. Call or stop by the Village Hall to obtain a questionnaire and return it as soon as possible. The Village currently has 8 boards, committees and commissions: Plan Commission, Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, Police Pension Board, E-911 (Emergency Phone System Board), Pathway Commission, Economic Development Committee, Environmental Quality Commission, Gateway Beautification Steering Committee, and the Stormwater Management Committee. More information about the roles and duties of each can also be obtained at Village Hall.

Subsidized Taxi Program

Residents who are at least 60 years old or have a permanent disability are invited to utilize the subsidized taxi program. The program, sponsored in conjunction with the DuPage County Inter-Agency Paratransit Coordinating Council, provides 24 hour taxi service to any location in DuPage County or in the Cook County portion of the Village bordered on the north by Madison Street, 111th on the south and Harlem Ave. on the east. Destination areas also include O'Hare and Midway Airports. Rides are paid for by registered participants using coupons purchased in advance from the Village for \$2.50 each. Each coupon is worth \$5 of riding time. ID cards must be used when paying with program coupons. If you would like to learn more about this program or register, please contact Karen Thomas, Village Clerk, at 654-8181, extension 101.

VILLAGE OF BURR RIDGE 7660 S. COUNTY LINE ROAD BURR RIDGE, ILLINOIS 60527

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

PRESORTED STANDARD US POSTAGE PAID HINSDALE, IL PERMIT NO. 94

DATED MATERIAL PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY

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Calendar of Events

October

- 1
- 6 Plan Commission - 7:30 PM
- 7 Police Pension Board - 7 PM
- Fire & Police Commission 7 PM
- 13 Village Board 7:30 PM
- 20 Plan Commission 7:30 PM
- 21 Economic Develomt. Cmte 7:30 PM
- 25 Veterans Memorial Cmte 8 AM
- 27 Village Board 7:30 PM
- 27 Curbside Brush Chipping begins north of 79th Street
- 31 Halloween Trick or Treating until 9PM

November

- Plan Commission 7:30 PM
- Curbside Brush Chipping begins south 3 of 79th Street
- 10 Village Board 7:30 PM
- 12 Fire & Police Commission 7 PM
- 13 Pathway Commission 7:30 PM

- 17 Plan Commission 7:30 PM
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 - 19 Environmental Olty. Commsn 7:30 PM
 - 24 Village Board 7:30 PM
 - 27 Thanksgiving Village Hall Closed
 - 28 Thanksgiving Village Hall Closed
 - 29 Veterans Memorial Cmte 8 AM

December

- Plan Commission 7:30 PM 1
- Village Board 7:30 PM
- 10 Fire & Police Commission 7 PM
- 15 Plan Commission 7:30 PM
- 16 Economic Develomt. Cmte 7:30 PM
- 24 Christmas Eve Village Hall Closed
- 25 Christmas Day Village Hall Closed
- 27 Veterans Memorial Cmte 8 AM
- 31 New Years Eve Village Hall Closed at Noon

Meetings are held at Village Hall unless otherwise specified

Check Your Mailbox

With winter fast approaching, please check your mailbox now. Make sure that it is sturdy and in good condition so that it can withstand the rigors of winter. The Village is only responsible for damage due to direct plow contact with a mailbox or its post and liability is limited to \$50. There is no liability for mailboxes that do not conform to regulations, such as brick, masonry, stone, or solid concrete mailboxes. For more information on mailbox regulations, contact the Village Hall at 654-8181.

No Burning, Please!

Open burning for disposal of trash or landscape waste is prohibited by Village Code and BOCA National Fire Prevention Code, which the Village has adopted by reference. Residents cannot enjoy open windows or relaxing outdoors when burning goes on around them. Please be considerate of your neighbors and let your waste hauler dispose of your trash.



MAKE IT A SAFE HALLOWEEN!

The Burr Ridge Police Department recommends hosting a Halloween party for youngsters as a safe alternative to "trick or treat" activities. They'll have just as much fun. But, if children go "trick or treating", they should do so before 9:00 p.m. on Friday, October 31st.

Follow these simple guidelines recommended by the Burr Ridge Police Department for safer "trick or treating". Taking just a few moments to read over the guidelines can prevent an accidental injury.

- © Children's costumes should fit properly and be designed so they can see well. Non-toxic face paints are better than face masks.
- Light colored costumes and best-reflective strips are safer because they make trick-or-treaters more visible to motorists.
- © Children should "trick or treat" in their own neighborhoods since they may be more familiar with the area and its residents. Young children should always be accompanied by an adult or responsible teen.
- Children should never eat anything until they get home and their treats have been examined. Throw away any candy that is unwrapped. Cut and wash fruit before eating.
- © Confining "trick or treating" to daylight hours is recommended, but if children plan to be out after dark they should carry a flashlight.
- Mow which friends children are with and what route they are taking.
- Instruct children to avoid houses that are dark. Go instead to the next well-lit home.
- Remind children to look for traffic first before crossing the street. If they must walk in the street they should walk on the left side facing cars.
- Keep costumed children away from pets. Pets may not recognize them and become frightened. A frightened pet can become aggressive.

Homeowners should leave a front light on and place the sign on the back side of this tip sheet in their front window so children will know they are welcome to visit. Motorists are reminded to be alert to youngsters "trick-or-treating." Anyone who observes suspicious treats or activities should call the Burr Ridge Police Department (9-1-1) immediately!



TRICK

- OR -

TREATERS

WELCOME



PLACE YOUR ORDER 24TH ANNUAL TREE PROGRAM

Join the Village reforestation efforts by placing your order for trees for fall planting in your yard. 2003 marks the 24th year that the Village of Burr Ridge will celebrate the season by offering residents an opportunity to participate in our reforestation program by purchasing trees for their yards through our annual tree program.

Once again, we are offering trees purchased through the Suburban Tree Consortium (STC). STC is comprised of 14 municipalities in the western suburbs who banded together to contract with Wilson Nurseries of Hampshire, Illinois. Although **there is no guarantee** that accompanies the trees, mortality within the Consortium has been approximately 1% in recent years.

Because the trees will be dormant at the time of delivery, conditions will be ideal for the development of a healthy root system. However, since this year's deliveries will not be until late October, residents are urged to plant their trees promptly after receiving them to avoid any danger of freezing or drying. Since the trees are grown locally, they are well-adjusted to soil conditions. Also, since they are balled and burlapped, the trees adapt more readily to their new location and do not require extensive pruning.

Please remember that, under the provisions of the Village's tree regulations, a permit must be obtained if any of the trees purchased through this program are to be planted in the parkway. There is no fee for the permit. However, your application should be approved before you accept delivery.

Due to high demand and a shortage of supply, the costs of plant materials have increased sharply. These costs MAY drop slightly depending on the nursery's supply at the time of delivery.

As shown on the order form, the following trees and evergreens (pictures of which are available for inspection at the Village Hall) will be available for purchase:

<u>White Ash</u> - 2 inch trunk diameter. Medium to rapid growth. Its shape is upright and oval when young, becoming upright spreading to rounded with maturity. Fall color varies from purple to yellow. Height from 50 to 80 feet.

<u>Norwegian Sunset Maple</u> - 2 inch trunk diameter. Relatively hardy tree that is slow growing with an up right oval habit. Leaves emerge reddish purple then gradually turn a dark glossy green. Fall color is a combination of yellow-orange-red. Height to 30 feet (*Pacific Sunset Maple may be substituted - similar yet with finer branching habit and a more rounded form.*)

<u>Locust</u> - 2 inch trunk. Rapid growing small leafed shade tree. Pyramidal form with dark green leaves turning to golden yellow in the fall. A very tough tree which is good for harsh sites. Salt tolerant. Height from 35 to 35 feet.

Norway Maple - 2 inch trunk. The Norway maple is an attractive large tree with a dense, rounded, symmetrical crown which casts a deep shade. Moderate to vigorous growth rate. It has adapted well to urban conditions. Height to 60 feet.

<u>Little Leaf Linden</u> - 2 inch trunk. Dense pyramidal form with smaller dark green leaves that turn yellow in fall. Very tolerant of harsh soil conditions. Height from 30 to 40 feet.

The Deadline for ordering is October 10, 2003. Trees will be delivered starting October 21st during normal business hours. If residents are not home, trees will be placed near the rear of the driveway. We cannot make arrangements for special deliveries at another time. Delivery could be delayed if it rains. If this happens, residents who ordered trees will be notified by telephone and given another delivery date.

24th Annual Tree Program Order Form

7660 S. County Line Road •

Burr Ridge, Illinois 60527

Phone:

SUBTOTAL \$

GRAND TOTAL

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Address:	Date:					
I wish to purchase the following trees as part of the Burr Ridge Annual Tree Program:						
Variety	No. Ordered	Unit Cost	Total			
White Ash		\$157	\$			
Norwegian Sunset Maple		\$155	\$			
Locust		\$149	\$			
Norway Maple		\$143	\$			
Little Leaf Linden		\$137	\$			

Enclose a check for the Grand Total made payable to the Village of Burr Ridge. The completed order form and payment must be received at the Burr Ridge Village Hall by no later than *Friday, October 10, 2003*. Orders of less than \$500 must include the \$10 delivery charge or the order will not be valid. Your receipt marked "PAID" will be returned by mail.

DELIVERY CHARGE: Add \$10 if subtotal for tree order is less than \$500

Complete but DO NOT DETACH - Return with order

Variety	No. Ordered
White Ash	
Norwegian Sunset Maple	
Locust	
Norway Maple	
Little Leaf Linden	

Village of Burr Ridge

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VILLAGE USE ONLY				

PRINT NAME & ADDRESS:	

TREES WILL BE <u>DELIVERED</u> TO YOUR HOME DURING THE WEEK OF <u>OCTOBER 21ST</u> DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.